

costs of the proceedings and the execution of a bond in the sum of \$1,000, in conformity with section 10 of the act, conditioned in part that it be reprocessed under the supervision of this department so that it should contain not less than 80 per cent of milk fat and not more than 16 per cent of water.

HOWARD M. GORE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

12662. Misbranding of LaDerma Vagiseptic discs, Arthur's Sextone tablets, Bick's nerve tonic, and Bick's Sextone pills. U. S. v. 5 Boxes of LaDerma Vagiseptic Tablets [Discs], et al. Decree entered ordering products destroyed. (F. & D. No. 15126. S. Nos. C-3104, C-3105, C-3106, C-3107.)

On July 11, 1921, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Texas, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying the seizure and condemnation of 5 boxes of LaDerma Vagiseptic discs, 11 boxes of Arthur's Sextone tablets, 11 boxes of Bick's nerve tonic, and 11 boxes of Bick's Sextone pills, at Clarendon, Tex., alleging that the articles had been shipped by the Palestine Drug Co., from St. Louis, Mo., on or about September 16, 1920, and transported from the State of Missouri into the State of Texas, and charging misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act as amended. The articles were labeled in part: (LaDerma Vagiseptic discs) "For * * * Amenorrhoea and other Uterine and Vaginal disorders * * * for * * * Amenorrhoea * * * Ulceration of the Uterus * * * Gonorrhoea"; (Arthur's Sextone tablets) "Designed to correct * * * the Evil Results Following Sexual or Alcoholic Excesses, Overwork, Worry, etc. * * * Sextone Tablets For Either Sex * * * Composed of * * * the Most Potent and Dependable Aphrodisiac Agencies," (circular) "Sextone Tablets * * * cases of exhaustion of nervous energy * * * stimulate * * * the Sexual Plexes * * * nourish the nervous system and build it up"; (Bick's nerve tonic) "Nerve Tonic for nervous prostration and bodily aches and pains. A nerve Tonic * * * for all female complaints * * * For Weakness, Nervousness, Headache, Kidney Trouble, and loss of Power in either Sex * * * for female weakness, heart trouble and where a general breakdown of the nervous system exists"; (Bick's sextone pills) "Sextone Pills * * * Composed of * * * Aphrodisiac Agencies."

Analyses of samples of the articles by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed that the LaDerma Vagiseptic discs contained salt, alum, starch, milk sugar, and talc; the Arthur's Sextone tablets contained iron oxide, calcium carbonate, a compound of zinc, and extract of plant drugs, coated with sugar; the Bick's nerve tonic consisted of two products—brown tablets containing phosphorus and compounds of zinc and iron, coated with sugar and calcium carbonate, and yellow pellets containing compounds of iron, strychnine, and phosphorus, coated with sugar and calcium carbonate; the Bick's Sextone pills consisted of two products—chocolate-colored pills containing a small amount of extract of plant drugs, 50 per cent of sugar, 25 per cent of calcium carbonate, 7 per cent of iron oxide, and 7 per cent of powdered talc, and orange-colored tablets containing 31 per cent of metallic iron, 11 per cent of calcium carbonate, extract of nux vomica, and sugar.

Misbranding of the articles was alleged in the libel for the reason that the above-quoted statements, appearing in the labeling, were false and fraudulent, since the said articles contained no ingredients or combinations of ingredients capable of producing the said therapeutic effects.

On November 2, 1922, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of the court was entered, finding the products to be subject to condemnation, and it was ordered by the court that they be destroyed by the United States marshal.

HOWARD M. GORE, *Secretary of Agriculture*

12663. Adulteration and misbranding of canned tomatoes. U. S. v. 150 Cases of Canned Tomatoes. Decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 17868. I. S. No. 580-v. S. No. E-4508.)

On October 22, 1923, the United States attorney for the District of Connecticut, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying the seizure and condemnation of 150 cases of canned tomatoes, remaining in the original unbroken packages at New Haven, Conn., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Metal Packing Co. from Baltimore, Md., on or about August